OCKET SECTION

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING NO. C99-1/5

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Complaint on Post E.C.S.

Docket No. C99-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE OBJECTIONS AND ANSWERS

(July 8, 1999)

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On July 7, 1999, United Parcel Service (UPS) and the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a joint motion requesting an extension of the deadline for filing objections or answers to interrogatories OCA/UPS-1-12, filed on June 28, 1999. UPS and OCA state that they have undertaken a discussion which they believe will obviate the need for UPS to object to some of the interrogatories in question.

Informal discussions between participants to resolve potential conflicts are helpful, and should be encouraged. As OCA is willing to delay receiving answers while these discussions continue, the motion will be granted. OCA will be responsible for informing the presiding officer when these discussions are concluded.

RULING

The Joint Motion of United Parcel Service and Office of the Consumer Advocate for Extension of Time for the Filing of Objections and Answers to the Office of Consumer Advocate's Interrogatories to United Parcel Service, filed July 7, 1999, is granted.

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Dana B. Covington Sr. Presiding Officer